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Quit-smoking contest pits cash against tobacco

Young adults in the area have only a few more weeks to cash in on smoke-free living by entering the "Wouldurather" contest. The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit is promoting the quit-smoking contest that challenges young adults to decide if they would rather use tobacco or win cash and other prizes.

In order to enter the "wouldurather" contest, people must be 18 to 29 years of age or enrolled in a publicly funded post-secondary institution in Ontario. "Would you rather quit, reduce or stay smoke-free to win prizes?" asks Jennifer Robertson, a public health nurse with the HKPR District Health Unit.

"The start of a New Year is a great time to consider giving up cigarettes and tobacco, and the 'wouldurather' contest can be an extra motivator to make that quit attempt."

Young adults have until Jan. 24 to enter the contest online (www.wouldurather.ca). Two grand prizes of $2,500 are available to be won, as well as smaller cash awards and other prizes. The "wouldurather" contest is organized by Leave the Pack Behind, a youth-focused tobacco control initiative funded by the Ontario government. Robertson says the "wouldurather" contest allows young people to choose the category that best suits them, reflecting how often they use tobacco products and their readiness to quit. "There are four different categories to choose from in the contest, recognizing the fact that not everyone is ready to quit right away," she says.

"So whether you smoke a little, a lot, or not at all, there is a category that is perfect for you."

The four categories in the "wouldurather" contest include:

- Quit For Good: Regular smokers pledge to quit smoking and remain smoke-free.
- Keep The Count: Regular smokers pledge to reduce their smoking by half.
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- Don't Start and Win: Non-smokers or ex-smokers pledge to stay smoke-free. Contestants can register with a "buddy," who can support them during the six-week contest period. During the contest, entrants will also receive encouraging, supportive tips on how to succeed in their contest category, and how to try again if they slip up. Contestants can also use "quit aids" during the contest, including nicotine patches and gum.

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2. Word Wall: Learn one new word every day. Display them by creating afamily word wall with Bristol board and markers. Can you make a sentence with the words on your wall?
3. A Course of Course: Build an obstacle course through your family room, and draw a map of how to go through it from beginning to end.
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#StillHere campaign challenges perceptions

"My husband is a greeter at our local church. But people ask me all the time, 'How can he do that? He has Alzheimer's.'" These compelling words are from Cathy, 53, who has been caring for her husband Boz for the past three years since he was diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease. It's this kind of negative attitude that the Alzheimer Society wants to change with its new #StillHere campaign, launched for Alzheimer Awareness Month.

Life doesn't end when Alzheimer's begins. People living with dementia can continue to participate in life and contribute to their communities – in their own way, even as the disease progresses.

Yet, that's not the view of most Canadians who, according to a new Nanos survey, are divided about whether someone with dementia can live well. While women were slightly more positive than men, the survey found 47 per cent of respondents, aged 18 and older, disagree compared with the same percentage who agree.

"Words and actions are powerful and can change the story of dementia. That's the goal of our campaign, to dispel the myths around what it means to live with dementia and encourage all of us to see the person beyond the condition," says Mimi Lowi-Young, CEO at the Alzheimer Society of Canada.

Recognizing that a diagnosis of dementia doesn't rob someone of their individuality or their feelings goes a long way towards respecting and engaging people with this disease and preserving their identity.

Pia Kontos, a senior scientist at the Toronto Rehabilitation Institute-University Health Network, who has spent most of her career challenging perceptions of dementia, agrees. "Our cognitive abilities alone do not define us. People with dementia can continue to engage with the world in many other meaningful ways. And supporting their dignity and worth, improves their well-being and quality of life."

There are many ways to get involved with our #StillHere campaign at www.alzheimer.ca/stillhere:

- Watch a 30-second video and share it with others
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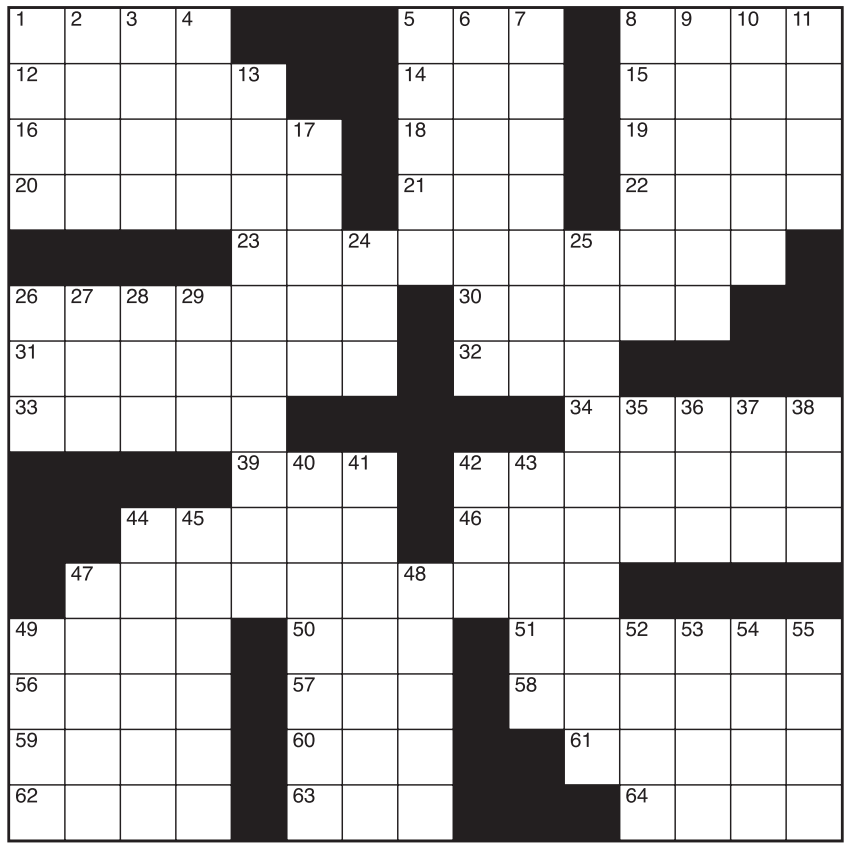

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12. Joint
14. Certified public accountant
15 __ Mater, oneÕs school
16. Resells tickets
18. BatterÕs objective
19. Past participle of lie
20. State of Islands
21. Fed
22. Cause cell destruction
23. Daily Show host
26. Diagrammed
30. Cat sounds
31. Most sorry
32. Do wrong
33. Coral reef and lagoon island
34. That (Middle English)
39. Electrically charged atom
42. Nassau is the capital
44. Frogs, toads, tree toads
46. Marjoram
47. Where the Donald lives in NYC
49. Whale ship captain
50. A way to emit sound
51. Comparable
56. Isodor __, American Nobel physicist
57. Businesswoman
58. A way to split up
59. Solo Operatic piece
60. No (Scottish)
61. In a way, tears
62. Bridge breadth
63. Single Lens Reflex
64. Thou __ protest too much
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CLUES DOWN
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2. South American Indian
3. Cape at tip of Denmark
4. A podrida cooking pot
5. Russian sourgrass soup
6. Perfect example
7. Supplier
8. Unhealthy looking
9. Spanish beaches
10. Am. follower of the Mennonite Bishop Amman
11. Well-balanced
13. Outer surface cells
17. Fathers
24. Sun up in New York
25. Dweller above the Mason-Dixon
26. Young womenÕs association
27. Tell on
28. Bustle
29. Poundal
35. An ugly, old woman
36. DoctorsÕ group
37. __ Ling, Chinese mountain range
38. Volcanic mountain in Japan
40. Leaves parentless
41. Existing in or produced by nature
42. Inclination
43. Extents
44. Peninsula between the Red Sea and the Persian Gulf
45. Language of Nile
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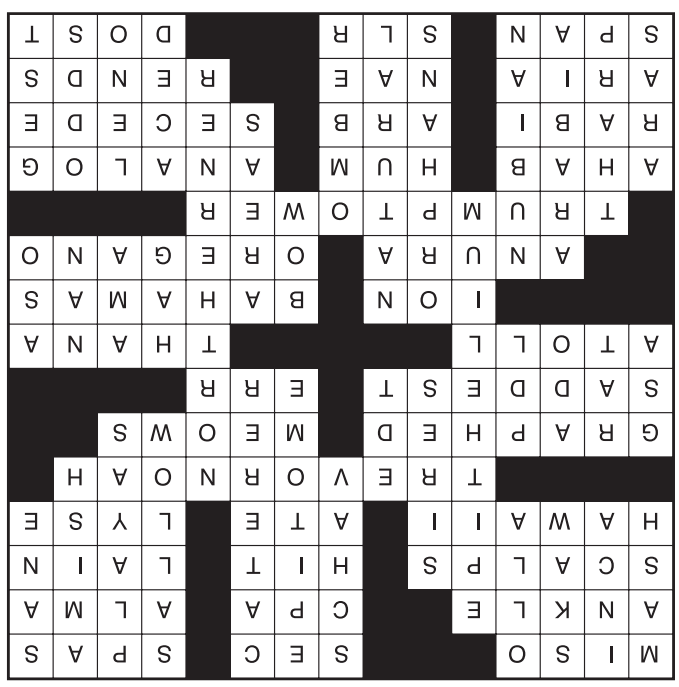

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As well, there are new courses in business, health care, computers and humanities. At Frost campus, individuals can take the popular wilderness survival course or explore the new restoration ecology course. In addition to arts courses at the Haliburton campus, the Haliburton School of The Arts is once again offering a suite of arts courses in Peterborough, as well as a mix of courses offered on location and in partnership with Ontario College of Art and Design University.

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- It is recommended that students retain a copy for proof of their application

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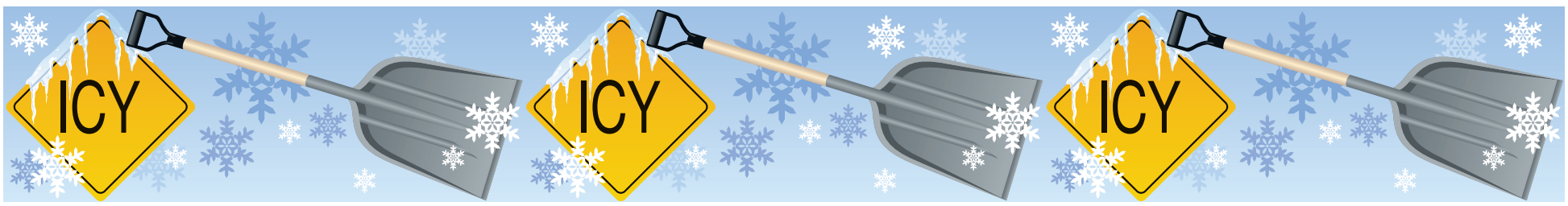

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Snowshoes then and now

Living Large

Humour by Steve Galea

If you are old enough to have had the pleasure of watching your kids rolling their eyes and utter the phrase, "you wouldn't understand," you probably remember the old style of snowshoes too. If I'm not mistaken the webbing on them was made from the rawhide of kids who showed that same level of disrespect to our great grandparents.

These days, most snowshoes are made of metal and synthetic material. That's not a bad thing. But it does change them in subtle ways.

Here are the most obvious 10 ways I can think of.

1. No living creature is hurt – until you try tackling that big hill.
2. They are no longer legal for badminton in Nunavut.
3. The synthetic webbing allows your dog to have a more comfortable ride.
4. Their light metal frames encourage you to move a lot faster, especially in electrical storms.
5. They are no longer considered delicious treats by the canine community.
6. You wouldn't be surprised if next year's crop came in fashionable high-heeled versions.
7. They are not a lot of fun around powerful electro-magnets.
8. They no longer have a large amount of gut, unlike the crazy people who exercise all winter with these things.
9. No one ever had a carrying case for the old-style snowshoes – because no ever one carried them.
10. Good luck grating cheese with these things!

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New speaker series to highlight stories of adventure

By Angelica Ingram

If you enjoy embarking on adventures, learning about new places and humming along to a tune, a new speaker series launching this week might pique your interest.

Titled Telling Our Stories, the series is being presented by Yours Outdoors with support from Adventure Canada and the Haliburton Highlands Trekkers and is being held at the HHOA Fish Hatchery.

The idea for the series came from Yours Outdoors founder Barrie Martin, who had been mulling over bringing interesting people and their stories to the public.

Following a talk given last year by Dave Bathe, which was attended by about 60 people, Martin thought there was an interest in hearing from others about their travels.

Most of the guest speakers are from the area, highlighting the fact you don't have to look far to hear tales of travel, intrigue and adventure.

"Another motivation for doing it ... I try to apply the principles of ecotourism and part of that is giving back to the community," said Martin.

As a result, part of each admission fee will be donated to a local conservation organization.

The series kicked off last week with Craig MacDonald, former outdoor recreation specialist at Algonquin Park and a retired historian.

The series continues on Feb. 3 with Mike Buss, who will be talking about the fur trade, along with bringing in authentic furs.

On March 24 singer-songwriter David Newland will be leading an evening about the Arctic, sharing pictures, stories and songs from adventures he has taken to Greenland, Labrador and the Northwest Passage.

"This is essentially going to be a concert and a story," said Martin.

The final installment of the series is going to be a duo comprised of Karl Hartwick and Bob Davis, who are going to talk about tales from the Yukon. Focused on their eight-week canoe trip, the talk will show some of the scenery and wildlife they captured in photos.

Martin is hoping to continue the series, if there is interest from the public.

Each talk will be held at the fish hatchery from 7 to 9 p.m., $10 a person.

Seats can be reserved by calling 705-754-3436 or email info@yoursoutdoors.ca.

Tickets can be purchased at the door.

Mike Buss will be the next guest speaker in the series Telling Our Stories. Buss will talk about the fur trade. File photo.

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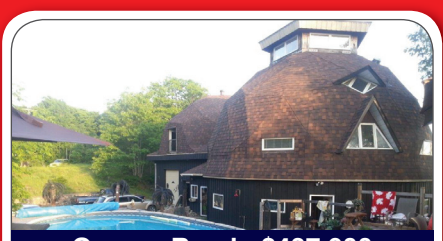

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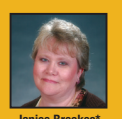
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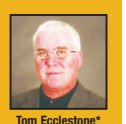
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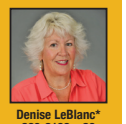
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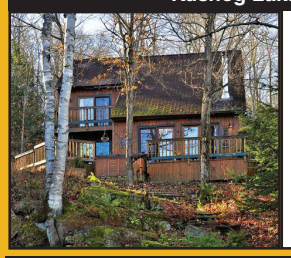
Minden Home $224,900

- Fantastic in town location
- 3 + bedrooms with rental potential
- Large deck & well cared for gardens
- Park like setting

Drew Bishop 457–2128 x 23

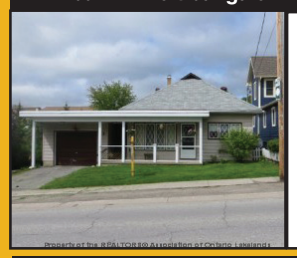
Kushog Lake $329,000



- 1400 S.F., 3 bdrm, 2 bath home on 2.5A
- 225 ft shoreline across Hwy 35
- Great views from this nicely land–scaped property
- Dock at lakeside and good clean swimming

Dagmar Boettcher 457–5968

2 bdrm + Loft bungalow with basement $214,900



- 3 Season sunporch & main flr laundry
- Beautiful Lot and breezeway to garage
- Paved driveway & covered porch
- WALK TO ALL AMENITIES in Haliburton!

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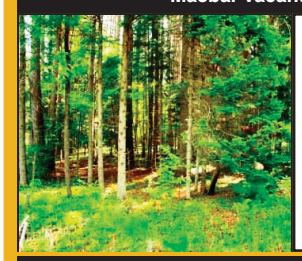
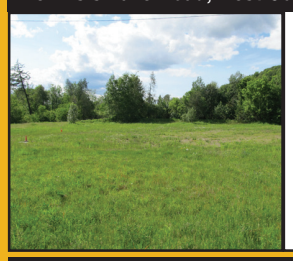
Maebar Vacant Lot $24,900



- Level 0.54 of an acre lot in a beautiful neighborhood
- This treed lot is easy to build on and offers a great opportunity
- Close to 12 mile lake, 10 minutes from Minden and 2 hours from the GTA

Kim Butt 286–2138 x 31

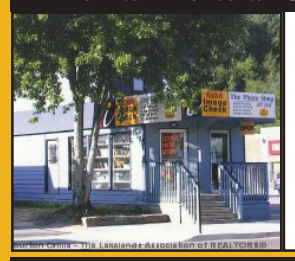
Kennisis Lake Road, West Guilford-Commercial $124,900



- 244.86 ft frontage and 184 ft deep approx
- Kennisis Lk RD–West Guilford.Hwy Commercial
- Well, Hydro, Had septic approval(expired)
- Level easy to build on

Gloria Carnochan 754–1932

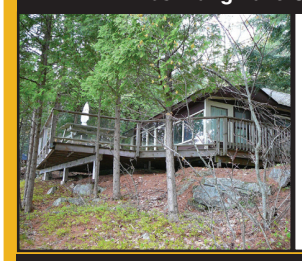
Downtown Haliburton Opportunity $249,500



- 13 Ft Rd Frontage, .01 Acres
- 1,325 Sq Ft, 2 levels and basement
- Municipal sewer and drilled well
- Perfect main street exposure

Mark Dennys 457–2128 x 30

Boshkung Lake Classic $389,000



- Very appealing traditional 3 bedroom cottage
- Western exposure, deep water swimming
- Floor to ceiling stone fireplace, so much charm
- Miles of boating, great fishing, true cottage living

Tom Ecclestone 286–2138 x 26

Geeza Rd $89,000

- Winterized modular cabin
- Ideal for snowmobilers – trails close by
- 2 bedroom
- Propane furnace & heatline to well

Lee Gauthier 754–1482

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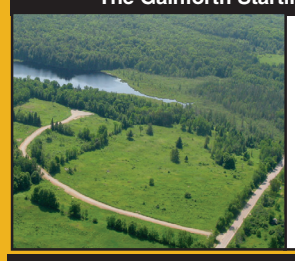
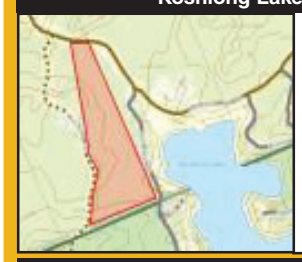


- Executive estate neighbourhood; Large lots
- 42 acres of shared parkland & a pond
- A quiet country setting with south exp
- Only 5 min to Haliburton Village

Andrew Hodgson 286–2138 x 29

Koshlong Lake Area $79,900



- 29+ acres near Koshlong Lake
- Abuts road allowance to lake
- Part commercial zoning
- Year round access

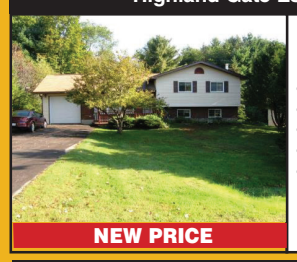
Susanne James & Andy Mosher
457–2128 x 33

Horseshoe Lake Rd $69,000

- Gorgeous 5.5 ac lot beautifully treed
- Overlooking Horseshoe Lake
- Driveway is in and hydro at the road
- Public beach and lake access
- Call Denise For Details!

Denise LeBlanc 286–2138 x 23

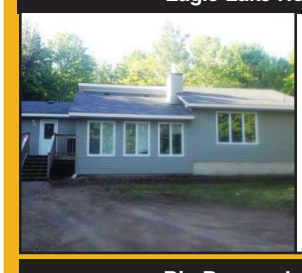
Highland Gate Estates $209,000



- 4 bedroom side split
- Master with ensuite
- Sunroom
- Walkout basement
- Forced air heating + Pellet stove

David Lee 286–2138 x 27

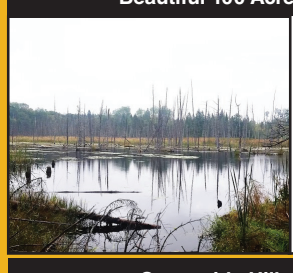
Eagle Lake Home $229,900



- Recently built Guildcrest Home
- Close to Sir Sam`s Ski & Bike
- Over 2 acres, private lot
- 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, jaccuzzi tub

Erin Nicholls 457–2128 x 34

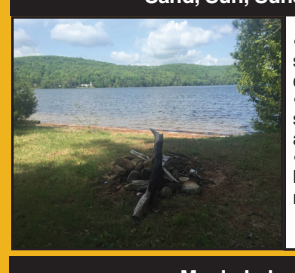
Beautiful 100 Acre Parcel $120,000



- Private accessible lot on year round road
- Just 12 minutes to Haliburton
- Features two ponds & is teaming with wildlife
- Perfect location to build your dream home or retreat!

Brandon Nimigon 457–2128 x 27

Sand, Sun, Sunsets $339,900



- 1.89 acres with 140 feet sand shoreline on Grace Lake plus 2 lake chain boating
- Private location with clean water swimming, Lake Trout fishing & Sun all day
- Perfect sand castle building site, hydro at lot line and snowmobile trails nearby!

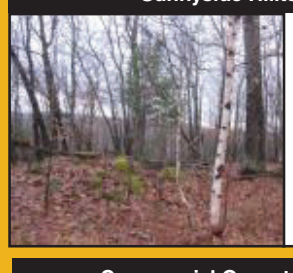
Karen Nimigon 457–2128 x 29

Big Barnum Lake $549,000

- Viceroy style cottage w/250' ftg & west exp
- Open concept, pine vaulted ceilings, stone FP
- Master ensuite, walk–in closet & w/o to deck
- 480 sq ft Bunkie, great privacy, no motor lake

Greg Stamp 457–2128 x 28

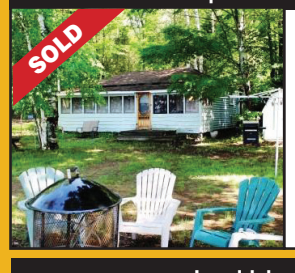
Sunnyside Hilltop Lot $68,500



- Scenic hilltop views over Haliburton Village
- Multi–exposure 1.5 acre resi–dential lot
- Private setting in area of finer homes
- Well–maintained Township road – a "Must–Buy!"

Elizabeth Thompson 457–2128 x 52

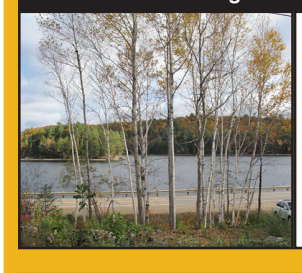
Maple Lake $219,000



- Charming 3 Bedroom Cottage
- Sunny Southern, Sandy Shoreline
- Over ½ Acre Lot
- Comes Furnished and Ready to Enjoy
- Boating and Exploring on a 3 Lake Chain

Melanie Vigrass 286–2138 x 32

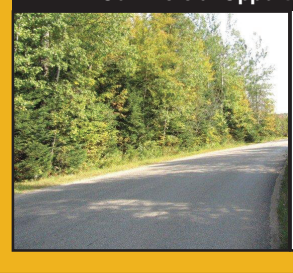
Kushog Lake View $75,000



- Year round access between Minden and Dorset
- Easy access to snowmobile trails
- Gorgeous view across Kushog Lake
- Driveway in and partially cleared, ready to build!

Tom Wilkinson 286–2138 x 25

Commercial Opportunity $49,900 +HST



- Prime 2 acre property
- High traffic area near Haliburton Village
- Commercial Highway zoning
- Private picturesque setting
- Possible VTB

Andrea Wilson 457–2128 x 25

Ingoldsby $239,000

- Beautiful Home or Cottage
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UPCOMING

Community Events

PARISH HOME INSPECTIONS

See more events in our Winter Guide, available on newsstands across the Haliburton Highlands.

Want to get your event in Community Calendar? It's free! Contact Pat at classifieds@haliburtonpress.com.

Dated Events

Youth Baking Workshop presented by the Haliburton Highlands Museum
When: Saturday, January 16th, 10am-12pm
Where: Upstairs at the Haliburton Arena
Kids aged 8 and up are invited to join Judy Carpenter and museum staff to learn how to bake old-fashioned treats! This workshop is free, but pre-registration is required.
Contact: 705-457-2760 or info@haliburtonhighlandsmuseum.com

WILBERFORCE: Meet the Nurse
When: Thursday, January 21, 10 am to noon
Where: Lloyd Watson Community Centre (2249 Loop Rd.) in Wilberforce
Parents with children up to age six years can meet with a Public Health Nurse, who can provide breastfeeding support, screen for speech concerns and discuss infant care, growth and development and other parental concerns. Call (705) 457-1391 or 1-866-888-4577 for more information.

Minden Community Food Hub/Centre-A food bank and more!
Marilynne L'Esperance,(Chairperson of Minden Community Food Bank) will talk to us about how the food bank not only supplies food to an ever growing number of families, but is also committed to providing education in the growing of food and in food preparation.
When: January 21, 2016 1:30-2:30 pm
Where: Fleming College, Great Hall
Free (donations to the CFUW Haliburton Highlands Scholarship Fund would, however, be welcome)

The Write Stuff
When: Saturday, January 23rd, 10am-12pm
Where: Haliburton Highlands Museum
Kids aged six and up are invited to join retired schoolteacher Georgiena Boyle to learn cursive writing in a fun and interactive way. This workshop is free, but pre-registration is required.
Contact: 705-457-2760 or info@haliburtonhighlandsmuseum.com

"JOURNEY" Annual Salon Exhibition OPENING RECEPTION
When: Saturday January 23 2-4 pm
Where: Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre 23 York Street
A group exhibition of new work by local artist members of Rails End Gallery. (deadline for entry Jan 16) Meet the artists at the opening reception. Runs tilMarch 19.
Contact: Laurie Jones, Curator 705-457-2330 www.railsendgallery.com

HALIBURTON: Sexual Health Clinic
When: Wednesday, January 27, 10:30 am to Noon
The clinic provides clients with confidential access to cervical screening, low-cost birth control, pregnancy testing and sexual health teaching. Testing and treatment of sexually transmitted infections are also provided. For more information, locations or to make an appointment, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577, ext. 1205.

Recurring Events

Rexall Haliburton, Flu Shots Available
Mon-Sat 9am-9pm, Sun 10am-6pm.
No Appointment necessary.
Available to everyone in the community
We just received doses of FluMist . FluMist is a Nasal Spray dosing that can be used for Children as young as Five. Because it is a nasal spray, there is no injection required. Again, our pharmacists can administer the flu vaccine to anyone with a valid Ontario Health Card any time, any day.

Haliburton Legion Blood Donor Clinics
1:30-6:30pm
Monday, January 25 2016
Monday, March 28 2016

Family Kung Fu – Active & Strong In Algonquin Highlands!
When: Saturdays, January 9 to February 13 from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. (6 weeks)
Where: Dorset Recreation Centre
Traditional martial art training to build character, respect and discipline open to all ages and families. Registration is required. Cost is $30 for the 6 weeks. Funded by the Government of Ontario.
Contact: 705-766-9968, recreation@algonquinhighlands.ca,
Website: www.algonquinhighlands.ca

Bunnyrabbit, Jackrabbit and Track Attack Ski Program
(The Haliburton Highlands Nordic Trail Association)
When: Sat. Jan. 9, 16, 23, 30, Feb. 7, 14. Time: 1:30 - 3:00
Where: Glebe Park, Bandshell Area
We will be offering Cross Country Canada's Skill Development Program for children from ages 4 to 12 years old. There is a rental program for children who have out grown their equipment at a cost of $50 for the season. The overall goal is to learn that winter and snow provide a great opportunity for outdoor enjoyment and adventure. Contact: Jane Heyes, heyes@sympatico.ca , 705-457-1465; For rental equipment, Brian Hills, brihill3@hotmail.com or705-457-6647

Cancer Support Group,
Open to anyone who has been diagnosed with or survived cancer. We meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month in the Ruth Parkes Room at the Haliburton Hospital from 1 pm to 3 pm. Please contact Lynn Higgs Thompson 705-457-2941 for more information.

Al-anon Minden
When; Monday evenings at 8 p.m.
Where: Hyland Crest (north entrance, follow signs inside building), 6 MacPherson, Minden
Details: For relatives and friends of problem drinkers. For more information call 1-888-425-2666

The VON SMART exercise program for balance, strength and flexibility.
When: Minden, Tuesday's at 11 at the Hyland Crest Auditorium, Haliburton, Thursdays at 1pm at EchoHills.
Please contact Judy Webb@ 705-286-5098 or Carol Browne @ 705-457-4551 for more information.

Kitchen Party Music Jams
When: Every Saturday From 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm (continuous event)
Where: Dominion Hotel Pub, 113 Main Street, Minden, ON
Details: Musicians are welcome to come out to play and Fans are welcome to come out and enjoy the music at the free Jam Sessions every Saturday afternoon - 1st Saturday Folk/Celtic Music, 2nd & 5th Saturdays Mixed Acoustic Music, 3rd Saturday Country Music & 4th Saturday Bluegrass Music.
Contact: Gerry Mitchell at (705)799-5008 or by email at kitchenpartymusicjams@hotmail.com

Toastmaster Minden, NEW PLACE NEW TIME NEW DAY NEW PRICE FEE
When: Tuesdays from 12 to 1:00
Where: OPP conference room
The fee has been dropped.
Anyone, who is 18 to 80 years of age can attend. Come three times to a meeting before you have to decide if you want to join. Short term 8 week courses are also available."

Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild
When: Second Wednesday of every month, at 1-4 pm
Where: Stanhope Community Centre, 1095 North Shore Rd., Algonquin Highlands
Details: Meeting often preceded by working on a project at 10 am.
Contact: Pat Campbell at (705) 457-1211 or patcampbell@live.ca

HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS WEAVING & SPINNING GUILD OPEN STUDIOS:
Time: Every Tues. 1-4p.m.
Place: Zion United Church, Carnarvon
No experience needed.
Contact: Pat @ 705-286-7782 or andreacoysh@gmail.com

Dorset Craft Connections Group
When: Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m.
$1 per person

Haliburton Region Shout Sister! Choir
When: Practices are held Thursday nights from 7-9 pm
Where: Haliburton United Church, Fellowship Room, 10 George St., Haliburton.
Details: Directed by Laurel McCauley, Welcoming new members. We do not audition and learn our music by ear. All levels of singers are welcome. We sing a fun variety of music from pop and folk to Motown.

Taoist Tai Chi
Carnarvon: Zion United Church
Monday: 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Tuesday: 10:00 am - noon
Friday: 10:00 am - noon
Wilberforce: Lloyd Watson Centre
Monday: 1:00 - 2:30 pm
Wednesday: 2:00 - 4:00 pm
Haliburton: United Church
Monday: 9:30 - 11:00 am
Health Recovery: Monday 1:00 am - 12:30 pm
Wednesday: 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Thursday: 10 am - noon
Kinmount: Galway Community Centre
Monday: 10:00 am - noon
Thursday: 10:00 am - noon
For more information contact: Wilma at 705-457-5829 or Maria at 705-457-2200

FILMS BY THE FALLS
When: Last Tuesday of each month, September thru May (excluding December)
Where: Fenelon Falls Secondary School, 66 Lindsay St
$10 ea at the door.
Visit: http://filmsbythefalls.com or email: filmsbythefalls@gmail.com for more info.

Legion Events

Branch 624, Wilberforce
Jan Simon PRO January 15th – January 21st
Friday Pool 1:30pm
Spaghetti Dinner 5-7pm
Jam Session 7:30pm
Saturday Meat Draw 2pm Early Bird 3pm Sharp
Monday Bid Euchre 7:00pm
Wednesday Darts 7:30pm
Upcoming Event
Saturday, January 30th (pending ice conditions) $15/person, one fish per entry
Weigh in 3-6pm – Must be present to win – Registration at the Legion by close of day, January 29th

Branch 129, Haliburton
Dave Allen, PRO 705-457-2571
Mondays: Bridge every Monday at 1pm
Tuesdays: Tuesday Night Dart League starting at 7pm
Wednesdays: Bid Euchre 1pm start
Bingo Doors open at 6pm, Bingo starts at 7pm - $500 Jackpot, **$1000 Jackpot** last Wednesday of the month.
Thursday: General Meeting Second Thursday of the month starting at 7:30 pm All members urged to attend Ladies Auxiliary Last Thursday of the month at 1pm
Fridays: Cribbage 1 pm start
Meat Draw Five Draws, Five Prizes each draw, First draw at 4:30 pm, Last draw at 6:30 pm, Tickets are $2 per draw…Chester Howse, MC
Fun darts - 4:30 pm onwards
Saturdays: 50/50 Draw 4 pm draw, Tickets are 1$ each from noon onwards
Sundays: Breakfast Second and fourth Sunday of the month - 9:30 am - 1 pm $6 per person. Occasional volunteers are needed.
Upcoming Events: Live entertainment featuring country/folk music by The Highlands Trio **Saturday January 16th 4-7pm** in the Club Room. Enjoy pulled pork on a bun for only $6 prepared by the Ladies Auxiliary. $5 cover charge for non members. Whether you're planning a function for 10 or 200, for more information call the Legion today at (705)457-2571. Come on out and support Haliburton Legion Branch 129... everyone is welcome!

Branch 636, Minden 705-286-4541
Ladies Darts, Wednesday, 1-4 p.m. No Ladies Darts Dec and January
Euchre, Thursday, 7 p.m.
Fish/Wings & Chips, Friday, 12-2 p.m. and 5-7 p.m.
Mixed darts, Friday 7:30 p.m.
Big euchre, first Sunday of the month (except holidays), noon, $12
Sports Fan Day, Sunday, 12-4 p.m.
Lunch menu, Monday – Friday, 12-2 p.m.
Liver lover's special, Tuesday 12-2 p.m. (full menu also)
Meat Draw, Wednesday lunch time. Dec 16, special Christmas meat draws.
Thursday take-out meals, pick-up after 6 p.m. Call between 2-6 p.m. for menu and placing your order. The cook will prepare only the number of orders placed before 6 p.m.

Branch 441 Kinmount
PRO Raquel Linton 705-488-3191
Mondays: Seniors cards, pot luck lunch 1230 followed by Bid Euchre
Family Fun Bingo 630pm Children & Adult fun and All welcome!
Wednesday: Summer Drop In Darts
Fridays: Bingo 6:45 all welcome $300 Must Go Jackpot
Saturdays: 5pm Meat Draw

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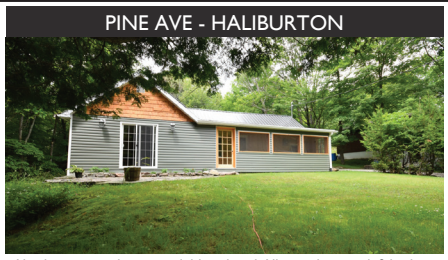

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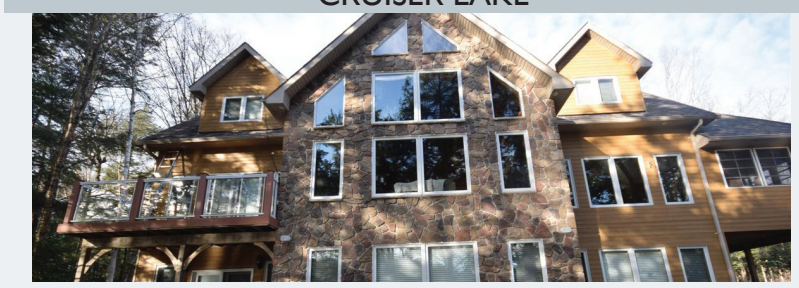

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A social insurance number and earned income is needed to start an RRSP.

Contribute to an RRSP by Feb. 29. Why? To qualify as a 2015 deduction, contributions to your personal or spousal RRSPs must be made by this date.

How much should you contribute? To determine your RRSP contribution limit for 2015, refer to your previous year's Notice of Assessment from the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA), or visit the CRA website at www.cra-arc.gc.ca.

Note: For 2015, each taxpayer's annual contribution room is calculated as 18 per cent of their 2014 earned income, to a maximum of $ **24,930**, less any required pension adjustments.

Determine what amount, if any, you have already contributed to your RRSP for 2015. You may have made contributions throughout the year, or have unused contribution room from previous years that you can use, up to your 2015 RRSP contribution limit.

Remember to consider group RRSPs. You will receive a 2015 tax deduction for this amount as long as the contribution is made by the deadline.

Watch the mail for your receipts. If you're filing a paper income tax return, you must attach receipts for all amounts contributed from March 3, 2015 to February 29, 2016 inclusive. This includes any amounts you are not deducting on your income tax and benefit return for 2015, and those you are designating as Home Buyers' Plan or Lifelong Learning Plan repayments.

Every situation is different. For advice about the best tax-saving strategies for your personal situation, consult a Chartered Professional Accountant in your community.

RRSP Checklist for the 2016 tax year, courtesy of Jeff Buckstein, CPA, CGA of Kanata. Provided by the Chartered Professional Accountants of Ontario

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